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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Mark L. Skarpness
Serial No. : 09/469,960
Filed : December 21, 1999
Title : PRIORITIZING DATA TRANSFERS OVER DATA BUSES

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Respectfully submitted,


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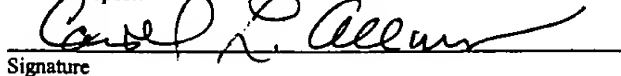
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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed October 9, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1, 2, 11 and 12.

Please amend claims 3-10 and 13-19 as follows:

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3. (Amended) A computer system comprising:

a host processor;

a peripheral device configured to transfer data to the host processor over an attachment bus using at least first and second types of data transfers, comprising:

a classifying circuit configured to separate the data into a first class associated with the first type of transfer and a second class associated with the second type of transfer;

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